

HOUSE BILL 2080

By Fitzhugh

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;  
Title 49; Title 50 and Title 67, relative to jobs.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-706, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

**4-3-706.**

(a) It is the function of the department of economic and community development to stimulate the creation of new jobs and income through services to business and industry.

(b) The department shall exercise all of the administrative powers, duties and functions described in §§4-14-103 — 4-14-107.

(c) The department has the power to make rules and regulations not inconsistent with law for the administration of its functions and duties.

(d) The department shall provide for the administration of title 68, chapter 202, part 1.

SECTION 2. The commissioner of economic and community development, in consultation with the commissioner of labor and workforce development and the commissioner of education, shall report to the finance, ways and means committees of the senate and house of representatives as to the success of job creation efforts of the department currently authorized by law and the potential for increased job creation opportunities in Tennessee. The report shall include findings and recommendations for new initiatives or programs that increase jobs in Tennessee. It is the legislative intent that any new initiatives or programs impact all

grand divisions of the state. The report required pursuant to this section shall be made by February 5, 2012.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.